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Your letter of April 25, 1954, has been received. The photostatic copy of a letter from  dated January 5, 1953, which you enclosed furnishes no facts not already considered by me prior to my letter to you of March 31, 1954. Consequently, it is still my opinion that we are without legal authority to pay your claim.

It is therefore impossible to submit the matter to arbitration.

Very truly yours,

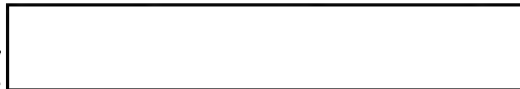
/s/
Lawrence R. Houston
General Counsel

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